

Advancements in AGN, Galaxy Cluster and IGM Research

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"Comparative study of flux and color variability of NLSY1 and BLSY1 galaxies using ZTF survey"

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What are Active Galactic Nuclei (AGN)?

AGNs are galaxies whose nucleus (Central Core) produces huge amount of radiation that it even suppresses the radiation output of the rest galaxy. AGNs are up to many thousand times more luminous than the entire Milky Way; energy released within a region approx. the size of our solar system!



Reason of such tremendous radiation output:

AGN have a supermassive black hole at their center, which is actively accreting matter from its surroundings. This accretion process releases a tremendous amount of energy and is the source of the AGN's luminosity.

Classification of AGN

AGNs are classified as:

- Seyfert Galaxy (Type I and II)
- Quasars
- BL Lacs
- Radio Galaxies

The study of various types of Active Galactic Nuclei (AGN) is of paramount importance:

- Provide insight about the fundamental principles that govern black hole physics, accretion and the effects of the AGN on its host galaxies.
- By understanding the diversity of AGN, we are able to piece together the intricate narrative of galaxy formation, from the beginning of the universe to the modern age.



Unified AGN Model

- Unified models of AGN unite all these classes of objects by proposing that they are really a single type of physical object, just observed under different conditions.
- The currently favored model is an 'orientation-based unified model' meaning the differences arise simply because of the different orientations seen by the observer.



Image Source:

https://www.researchgate.net/figure/The-geometry-of-the-AGN-assumed-in-unified-models-where-the-classifica-tion-of-the fig4 237788999



ImageSource:https://homepages.uc.edu/~hansonmm/ASTRO/LECTURENOTES/W07/Galaxies/Page9.html

Motivation Behind Work

Seyfert 1 sources are really important in AGN's study as it provide the direct observation to study the innermost region of AGN. Here are some of the main reasons why we should look into them:

- **Probing the Nature of AGN:** Studying the emission lines allows us to gain insights into the underlying physics and radiation mechanisms driving AGN.
- **Revealing the Accretion Disk:** The broad emission lines are associated with an accretion disk. By studying these lines, we are able to better know the geometry, the size, and the temperature of the accretion disk.
- **Probing the Innermost Regions:** The Seyfert 1 galaxies offer a unique opportunity to explore the immediate region around the supermassive black hole.



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 - Narrow lines, with a width (measured in velocity units) of several hundred km/s
 - Broad lines, with widths up to thousands of km/s.
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Image Source: https://ned.ipac.caltech.edu/level5/Glossary/Essay_seyfert.html



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Narrow Line Seyfert 1 Galaxies:

- NLS1 galaxies are defined by the narrowness of their Balmer emission lines (FWHM(Hβ) < 2000 km/s) and the relative weakness of the [OIII]λ5007 emission ([OIII]/Hβ_totl < 3).
- NLS1 galaxies typically show smaller Balmer lines, stronger FeII emission, and smaller ratios of [OIII]/Hβ_totl compared to broad-line Seyfert 1 (BLS1) galaxies.
- Evidence suggests that NLS1 galaxies tend to have smaller black hole masses compared to BLS1 galaxies.
- NLS1 galaxies reside in environments similar to BLS1 galaxies and tend to have smaller host galaxies.
- > They exhibit lower radio-loudness compared to BLS1 galaxies, with only a small fraction showing significant radio emission.

S. Komossa [2007]

Sample Selection

- We have used the Rakshit's catalogue of Narrow Line Seyfert 1 Galaxies which has 11101 NLSy1.
- Check the light curve availability of NLSy1 sources in the ZTF DR18 and we found the:

| r-band light curves | g-band light curves |
|---------------------|---------------------|
| 6475 | 5401 |

- Found 5374 NLSy1 sources which are present in both r and g band.
- For Flux Variability:

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\Sigma^2 - \epsilon^2} \quad if \Sigma > \epsilon$$
 Where, σ is Variability Amplitude
= 0 $otherwise$

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- To select high variable source we have taken sources with amplitude variability >3% of magnitude (i.e median value).
- High variability sources we get: 2687 sources
- We use the quasi-simultaneous light curve of 2687 NLSy1 with an epoch difference of 0.5 hour, to quantify their color variability.
- These high variability sources shows color variability trend as:

| Redder when Bright (RWB) | Bluer when Brighter (BWB) |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| 75.8% (356) | 24.2% (114) |

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• Amplitude of Temporal Variability





• KS Test between Temporal Amplitude Variability of RWB & BWB:

K-S Statistics: 0.2128

P value: 6.4*10⁻⁴

KS Test clearly suggest that the variability amplitude distribution of BWB and RWB sources are significantly different.

• Distribution of bolometric luminosity in RWB and BWB:



KS Test Result:

KS Statistics: 0.1665 P value: 0.0143 • Distribution of Mass of Black Hole in RWB & BWB:



KS Test Result:

KS Statistics: 0.18453 P value: 0.0748 • Distribution of Eddington Luminosity in RWB & BWB:



KS Test Result:

KS Statistics: 0.2903 P value: 6.1*10⁻⁴ • Distribution of Eddington Ratio in RWB & BWB:



KS Test Result:

KS Statistics: 0.2896 P value: 6.4*10⁻⁴

Z Vs. L_{Bol}





 $\overline{\mathbf{M}}_{\mathbf{BH}} \mathbf{Vs.} \mathbf{L}_{\mathbf{EDD}}$



 $\overline{\mathbf{M}_{BH}}$ Vs. $\overline{\mathbf{R}}_{EDD}$





Pearson Correlations:

| M_BH_RWB | R_EDD_RWB | -0.43 |
|-----------|-----------|-------|
| M_BH_RWB | L_BOL_RWB | 0.65 |
| M_BH_RWB | L_EDD_RWB | 0.88 |
| R_EDD_RWB | L_BOL_RWB | 0.41 |
| R_EDD_RWB | L_EDD_RWB | -0.36 |
| L_EDD_RWB | L_BOL_RWB | 0.59 |

Pearson Correlations:

| M_BH_BWB | R_EDD_BWB | -0.32 |
|-----------|-----------|-------|
| M_BH_BWB | L_BOL_BWB | 0.55 |
| M_BH_BWB | L_EDD_BWB | 0.89 |
| R_EDD_BWB | L_BOL_BWB | 0.61 |
| R_EDD_BWB | L_EDD_BWB | -0.28 |
| L_EDD_BWB | L_BOL_BWB | 0.49 |

Correlation Matrices



Control Sample for Broad Line Seyfert Galaxies (BLSy1)

• Used Rakshit's Catalogue of 14885 BLSy1 galaxies.



• To make our control sample for BLSy1 we have used condition:

• Using this condition we get Delta Z distribution corresponding to RWB NLSy1 and BWB NLSy1 as



• Color variability of BLSy1 galaxies:

Corresponding to RWB NLSy1, we get

| RWB BLSy1 | BWB BLSy1 |
|--------------|--------------|
| 47.25% (291) | 52.75% (325) |

Corresponding to BWB NLSy1, we get

| RWB BLSy1 | BWB BLSy1 |
|-----------|-----------|
| 23% (66) | 77% (221) |



Temporal Amplitude Variability Curve of BLSy1_BWB Sources Corresponding to NLSy1_RWB Sources



Median Values: NLSy1_RWB: 0.825 BLSy1_BWB: 0.695

Temporal Amplitude Variability Curve of BLSy1_RWB & BWB Sources Corresponding to NLSy1_BWB Sources



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Results & Conclusions:

• For BLSy1 galaxies, we get almost opposite trend of RWB & BWB as compared to NLSy1 Galaxies. For NLSy1 galaxies we have results as such:

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Possible Scenario behind more RWB trend in NLSy1:

The possible scenario may be behind this is that here in NLSy1 galaxies jets are in very initial starting stage where they are not fully developed so here we get more contribution from thermal emission from the accretion disk.

Future Work

• Our future work will focus on justifying our results with appropriate physical mechanism.

Thank you all.....! for being a patient audience

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